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## AUSTRIA'S OWN ADMISSION DEMANDS REDRESS, SAYS U. S. IN ANCONA NOTE

### CENTRAL POSTAL STATION WILL BE NOW ESTABLISHED

Postmaster Young Announces Plans for Using Present Federal Property

IRWIN SITE CHOICE TO GIVE MORE EFFICIENCY

Boxes and Carriers From the Bethel Street Building to Serve Big Section

Honolulu is going to have two downtown postoffices instead of one. Though the main administration offices of the postal department will go to the new federal building on the Irwin site, the present postoffice on Bethel and Merchant streets will not be abandoned but will be transformed into a central station and will serve the congested business district of Honolulu with a special system of boxes, clerks and carriers.

Postmaster William F. Young made this definite announcement today, confirming a plan which was known to a few people at the time Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Byron R. Newton came to Honolulu to investigate the federal sites offered Uncle Sam. At that time Mr. Newton, Mr. Young, Collector Franklin and others talked over the plan for retaining the present postoffice but the matter was kept in confidence until the new federal site should be selected.

Will Serve Business Section. "The businessmen of Honolulu and the people in the district west of Bethel and Nuuanu streets need not worry about being inconvenienced by the construction of the federal building on the Irwin site," said Postmaster Young this morning. "The government is going to keep this building right here. The property is Uncle Sam's and there will be developed here a central station to facilitate the handling of mail in this part of the city and to the west."

"People who wish to keep their boxes here may do so. Carriers will radiate from this central station with mail. It will give the postoffice department an opportunity to add greater efficiency to the service, and nobody who wishes to be served from here will have to go to the federal building for mail."

Postmaster Young and Postoffice Inspector Thomas J. Flavin, who also discussed the situation, are both convinced that the central station plan will fully answer whatever criticism there is of moving the main postoffice to the federal building. They point out mainline cities where the plan is working well.

Postmaster Young and Inspector Flavin both were strongly in favor of the Irwin site and the arguments used by the postmaster when his advice was asked undoubtedly were a strong factor in settling the treasury department firmly in favor of the Irwin site.

Former Governor Frear is given much credit for bringing to a successful consummation the negotiations between the federal government and the owners of the Irwin site.

The division of ownership in the Irwin site made the negotiations difficult and involved. Of the total area of about 124,000 square feet in the Irwin site, the ownership is as follows:

William G. Irwin estate, about 110,000 square feet.

Rawlins estate, about 5000 square feet.

Opera House property, about 8900 square feet, divided as follows:

One-quarter owned by Irwin estate. Remaining three quarters originally in estate of Claus Spreckels, bequeathed to his children as follows: To John D. Spreckels, one-half. To Rudolph, Claus A. and Emma Spreckels Peris, the remaining quarter.

The land to be transferred to the government is the entire block on which the opera house stands, bounded by Union Square (more generally known as Palace Square or Capital Square), Richards street, Queen street and Millian street. Millian street runs between the Opera House and the Judiciary building.

It is believed that the federal government will agree to an improvement plan along the lines of the Mulford

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### PARTLY PARALYZED PORTUGUESE CANNOT TELL HIS OWN NAME

Found on Liliha street last night after he had fallen unconscious, an unknown Portuguese man was taken to the police emergency hospital and is being treated by Dr. Ayer. The man appears to be paralyzed and cannot give his name or address, or the name of any relatives. There were no papers in his clothing to identify him. An effort is being made today to locate relatives or friends.

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### VAUGHAN CLAIMS M'CARN INSISTED HE BE REMOVED

"He Cabled Washington and Answer Was His Removal," Says New District Attorney

FALSE CHARGES MADE. NEW OFFICIAL SAYS

New Holder of Office Wants to Do His Work Without Any "Grand Stand Plays"

Reports which have been widely commented upon lately in federal court circles and in the legal fraternity to the effect that Former District Attorney Horace W. Vaughan have been at largeheads practically ever since the latter arrived in Honolulu, were given further confirmation today when Mr. Vaughan admitted what practically is a "breach in relations" between himself and the Tennessee.

"I have been informed that Mr. McCarn cabled to Washington, D. C., to have me removed, and the answer was his own dismissal," Mr. Vaughan said this morning, shortly after he had been sworn in as acting district attorney.

Mr. Vaughan added that Mr. McCarn had imparted this information to a certain Honolulu, and that the news promptly had been carried back to Mr. Vaughan.

"And I know that it is true," Mr. Vaughan declared to a representative of the Star-Bulletin.

"Why did he request your removal?" Mr. Vaughan was asked.

"I don't know," the district attorney answered. "But I do know that he has been manufacturing false charges against me and trying to make something out of nothing. I have done nothing here to cause my removal, and Mr. McCarn knows that."

"I want to go along with the duties of my office without any grandstand plays."

In a statement to the Star-Bulletin Mr. McCarn said that he believed Mr. Vaughan was thoroughly capable to handle the affairs of the office of the district attorney. He also denied that he was after Judge Sanford B. Dole's former position on the local federal bench.

Judge Dole says that he believes there was no foundation to the report that Mr. McCarn was after a federal bench job.

The former district attorney intends to leave for the mainland in the steamer Great Northern next Sunday, unless private business in Honolulu detains him. He plans to go direct to his former home in Nashville, Tennessee, and later to Washington, D. C.

Up to press time today, Judge Dole had received no information from Washington as to whether he is to be appointed to take his place.

"I guess we will have to wait until the president finishes his honeymoon before we hear anything further," he smiled. "I am not especially optimistic in the matter. I do not know what is in the minds of the officials in Washington. I am not applying for the position in any sense. If they ask me to serve another term, I shall do so. If not, all right."

### NO BORROWING NECESSARY FOR NEW CITY HALL

"If the territory provides the site, as Governor Pinkham intends, there is no reason why Honolulu should not have a city hall inside of three years," said Supervisor Logan, chairman of the finance committee, this morning. "At the beginning of the present term I told Mayor Lane privately that we ought to be able to build a city hall to cost \$100,000 the second year, that is 1916, without incurring any debt for it. My idea was to take the money out of the permanent improvement fund, which would still leave an equal amount, probably, for other works such as the belt road."

"Since then the situation has been changed, owing to the requirements of the frontage tax policy, the city and county's share of district improvements already under way making a formidable amount. This year's program of public improvements, in addition to large expenditures in rebuilding bridges and work on the belt road, comprised placing the fire department in an up-to-date position, doubling the electric light station capacity, starting the emergency hospital, various office renovations and the purchase of much new equipment for the road, garbage and other departments. Hence the setting aside of anything for a building fund was impossible."

But Would Pay Interest. "At present the municipality is paying \$484 a month for rent of offices."

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### TERRITORIAL SENATOR WHO IS IN LEAD NOW FOR FEDERAL OFFICE



Senator James L. Coke of Honolulu.

### JAMES L. COKE MAY BE NAMED U. S. ATTORNEY

Developments are beginning to come in the appointment of a United States district attorney to succeed Jeff McCarn, resigned and dismissed.

The Star-Bulletin received from its Washington correspondent today the following brief but significant cablegram:

"Looks like James L. Coke for district attorney."

Senator Coke is now on the mainland but his friends here say that he would accept the position if offered him, though he is not making an active fight for it against avowed candidates. When the Wilson administration took office, Senator Coke was strongly backed here to succeed the then district attorney, Robert W. Brookes, whose retirement was certain because he is a Republican. Coke made no fight for the position and Jeff McCarn of Tennessee was appointed.

### WIDOW OF MAN KILLED BY EXPLOSION GIVEN OVER FIVE THOUSAND

At a meeting held this afternoon in the McCandless building the Industrial Accident Commission approved of the settlement of the claim of Mrs. Anton Schieber against the Standard Oil Company. Anton Schieber was killed in an explosion at the Standard Oil works last September. The company has awarded his widow more than \$5000.

Only 18 cases of the \$65 that have been reported to the commission have been settled by that body. In the other cases the commission has cited the law in the case, and the employers have made full settlement for claims made. A few of the employers of labor are still opposed to the commission, and it is expected that a test case will be made early next year to have all employers of labor deposit a bond with the industrial commission.

### FOSS SUBMITS HIS ANSWER TO HARBOR BOARD AT MEETING

J. C. Foss, contractor, attended the meeting of the harbor board this afternoon and submitted his statement regarding the alleged faulty condition of the Kuhio wharf road to the members. Foss stated that he would willingly make minor alterations, but defended some pieces of work which are said by the territorial inspectors to be faulty. He cited instances where the inspectors themselves erred several times in staking out work for him, and asked for a reconsideration of the matter. The board had not come to any conclusion late this afternoon.

### LAST WALL OF ROCK IS BLASTED OUT OF BIG WAIHOLE BORE

At 11 o'clock this morning the final blast of giant powder was exploded in Waihole tunnel, tearing down the remaining bit of rock wall that still lay within the great bore, and opening a passageway between the Waihole and Waihalea slopes.

Jorgen Jorgensen, the contractor who took up the work last year and has carried it through to practical completion, set off the final charge of powder. Mr. Jorgensen left this morning for Waihole accompanied by the directors of the company who are putting through the great irrigation project. The party will return to town this evening by way of Waihalea, being the first to pass through the mountain after the wall was torn out.

### GRONNA RENEWS 'DRY' CAMPAIGN FOR TERRITORY

North Dakota Senator Reintroduces Bill on Second Day of Congress Session

SUPERINTENDENT FORBES MAKES GOOD IMPRESSION

Is Hustling for Bills and Has Received Assurances of Support

By C. S. ALBERT.

(Special Star-Bulletin Correspondence)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—Senator Gronna of North Dakota has again launched the fight for prohibition in Hawaii. He obtained an early start by introducing on the second day of Congress his former bill providing absolute prohibition for the Territory. He proposes to get right behind this measure and bustle it along with the expectation that action can be secured at this session.

In any event Senator Gronna has two entire years in which to work for the passage of his bill. If he fails this winter he will have another opportunity during the short session, a year hence. He expects the assistance of the temperance forces.

Other legislation for Hawaii has been started through the mill. Delegate Kalaniana'ole offered bills on the opening day and Senator Warren presented them to the senate on the following afternoon. Charles R. Forbes, superintendent of public works, is here on the spot and already has begun pushing these measures along. He is a "worker from away back." He has conferred with thirty or forty members of Congress and feels certain they will do more for Hawaii this winter than in the past. He also has arranged for committee hearings and hopes to obtain favorable reports on some of the bills before the Christmas holidays roll around.

Forbes Makes Good Impression. It seems absolutely certain that Mr. Forbes will not permit any grass to grow under his feet, even when the warm weather comes along, and definite results may be expected from his activities. He is going to work systematically and in earnest. That is the only method by which anything can be accomplished with Congress. Among the bills already laid before Congress are:

To establish a fish-cultural and biological station in the Territory of Hawaii.

For the construction of a breakwater at Nawiliwili harbor, island of Kauai.

To establish a national park at Kilauea in the Territory of Hawaii.

To authorize and provide for the manufacture, maintenance, distribution and supply of electric light and power within the Lihue district and the Koloa district, county of Kauai.

To ratify, approve and confirm an act duly enacted by the legislature of the Territory of Hawaii, relating to the granting of a franchise for the purpose of manufacturing and supplying gas in the district of South Hilo, county of Hawaii.

### GREAT NORTHERN COMES TO ANCHOR AT HILO AT 7:30

Passengers Taken Ashore in Small Boats, and Many Go Up to Kilauea Crater

(Special Correspondence by Mutual Wireless.)

HILO, Dec. 22.—The Hill liner Great Northern arrived here at 7:30 o'clock this morning, making the voyage from San Pedro in four days and 13 hours. Capt. A. Ahman, her commander, would not go to Kuhio wharf for a landing, but anchored in the bay. Passengers were taken ashore in the ship's boats.

The liner has 378 passengers, many of whom have gone to Kilauea Volcano today, some taking the scenic railroad trip to Paupilo instead.

Among the Great Northern's passengers are several well-known Honoluluans, including Supervisor Robert W. Shingle and his family; Clifford Kimball, manager of the Haleiwa hotel; Alexander Hume Ford, editor of the Mid-Pacific Magazine; and M. G. Maury, a former Honolulu newspaperman, returning to the Islands.

"The transpacific have the best building at the San Diego exposition, and many Pan-Pacific meetings have been held at different places," said Mr. Ford.

The Great Northern is scheduled to sail at midnight tonight for Honolulu. The weather here has been beautiful today.

### GERMAN OFFICIAL CABLEGRAMS

The following cablegram from official German sources was received this morning:

"German Army Headquarters, Dec. 22.—Report of Dec. 21: West of Hultsch a German detachment took an English sapping trench and repulsed a counter attack. The night-time was lively with artillery duels in numerous sections on the west front."

"On the east front Russian soldiers were ejected from Dekahl farm, south and east of Vidsk, close to the German front, which the Russians had taken on the night of December 19-20. Russian reconnoitering detachments were repulsed south of Vygonovskoye lake and near Kosziuchnowka, north-west of Czartorysk."

TODAY'S POSITION. The following cablegram received early this afternoon tells of today's situation:

"German Headquarters Report, Dec. 22.—Yesterday afternoon the French attacked German positions at Hartmannswillerkopf and at Hirtzstein, north of Wattmiller, and succeeded in taking the top of Hartmannswillerkopf, which has been held since the beginning of April. They also took a small section of the trench of Hiltzstein. The Germans have already taken back part of the lost position on Hartmannswillerkopf. A French attack near Metzler broke down before the German position. The rest of the west front shows little activity on account of dark weather and heavy snowfall."

### GREATER NAVY IS URGED BY DEWEY BOARD

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—The navy general board, of which Admiral George Dewey is head, in its annual report made public today recommends that the United States develop a navy which by not later than 1925 shall be equal to the most powerful navy maintained by any other nation. He declares that a navy which will defend the American coasts merely is not sufficient, and that the U. S. sea-fighters must defend U. S. commerce, and hence in war-time find and destroy the enemy ships at distances.

### U. S. TRADE IN NOVEMBER SETS GREAT RECORD

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—The foreign trade of the United States for November has reached the unprecedented total of half a billion dollars. A record of five billions for exports and imports for the 12 months was set.

### AFTER AMERICANS ARE KILLED, MAY RETALIATE

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—American troops at El Paso have been ordered to return vigorously any further deliberate firing from the Mexican side, as a result of killing of Americans in the recent riots and the "sniping" from Mexican soil.

### EL PASO, TEX., DEC. 22.—Gen. Villa has agreed to come to the United States, according to announcement by Gen. Santa, at the conclusion of conference of former Villa officers at Juarez.

### 40,000 SCHOOL CHILDREN LOSE SAVINGS IN BANK

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 22.—The Pittsburgh Bank for Savings was closed today by order of the state banking department. The action is reported to be due to depreciation of the securities held by the corporation. It had deposits of \$11,000,000, including the savings of 40,000 school children paid to a collector weekly. The bank has 75,000 depositors. There is a possibility that it will resume business.

### CONQUEROR OF LIEGE IS DEAD AT HANOVER

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 22.—Gen. von Emmich, who won fame as the commander of the German forces which conquered Liege, Belgium, at the outbreak of the war, is dead at Hanover.

### FORD DELEGATE DIES

(Associated Press by Federal Wireless)

CHRISTIANIA, Norway, Dec. 22.—Lloyd Bingham, one of the Ford peace delegates, died today of pneumonia. He was the husband of Amelia Bingham, the actress.

### GERMAN ATTACHE, SENT HOME ON U.S. DEMAND, TO FIGHT; BRITAIN TO GET NEW MILLION

HOUSE OF COMMONS GRANTS HUGE ARMY INCREASE AFTER ALL-NIGHT DEBATE—BRITISH SAY GERMANS SUFFERED SEVERELY IN FIGHT ON ARMENIERES FRONT—RUSSIANS ADVANCING IN PERSIA—GERMANS MAY WIN GREECE AND RUMANIA BY GALLIOLI RESULT

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 22.—America's second peremptory note to Austria upon the Ancona incident renews the demands for disavowal of responsibility and punishment of the submarine commander who torpedoed the Italian passenger liner.

The reply of the United States to Austria's note declares that the official admission of the Austrian admiralty that the liner was torpedoed after it had stopped and when passengers were still aboard, is alone sufficient for America to demand disavowal, reparation and punishment of the commander. Reiterating the demand for immediate redress, the note says that the details to which Austria has referred are not essentials and that debate on the matter is uncalled-for.

NEW YORK, N. Y., Dec. 22.—Capt. Franz von Papen, the German military attaché of the Washington embassy, recalled on demand by the United States, sailed today on the Dutch liner Noordam. In a brief statement made before the steamer left, the attaché, who became persona non grata through his activities said to be connected with the various "war plots" in the United States, declared that he feels no bitterness toward Americans. He says that he is glad of the opportunity to fight in the trenches. The history of the war, he declared, will show that he did his duty.

### British Evacuation of Gallipoli May Alienate Greece and Rumania

(Associated Press Service by Federal Wireless)

LONDON, England, Dec. 22.—Despatches from various sources represent the Germans as taking advantage of the British withdrawal from Gallipoli by using the moral effect of the retirement to influence Greece and Rumania to the Teuton cause. The evacuation is being pointed to as an illustration of the weakness of the Allies.

Russia is forestalling these attempts by an invasion of Bulgaria from Varna, where a Slav force landed yesterday after a heavy bombardment.

### Col. House Not On Peace Mission

HOT SPRINGS, Va., Dec. 22.—President Wilson said today that the mission of Col. E. M. House in Europe is not connected with peace. Col. House sailed on the liner Noordam for Europe today on a confidential errand for President Wilson, whose adviser and intimate friend he is. The president says that the general object of the mission is to communicate to the American ambassadors matters of confidential importance and to ascertain from them and give to them the attitude of the United States toward certain phases of the international situation which are not communicable by telegraph or letters.

### Another Million For British Army

LONDON, England, Dec. 22.—Following an all-night debate last night in the House of Commons, the house granted the increase of a million men in the army asked for by Premier Asquith.

Lieut.-Gen. William B. Robertson, chief of the general staff with Sir John French in France, will be recalled from the French front to become chief of the imperial staff in London. He thus takes the place of Gen. Murray, who is about to receive an important command.

The retirement of Sir John French and shift of Gen. Robertson are believed to indicate closer cooperation between the British and the French on the western front.

LONDON, England, Dec. 22.—It is learned that Gen. Murray will succeed Gen. Sir C. C. Munro in command at the Dardanelles.

### Say Germans Suffer On West Front

LONDON, England, Dec. 22.—According to British official statements, the Germans have suffered heavily in recent fighting on the western front near Armentieres. The French have captured a considerable portion of the German works at Hartmannswillerkopf.

### Report German Depots Blown Up

LONDON, England, Dec. 22.—An Amsterdam despatch says that a powder factory and ammunition depots at Muenster, Westphalia, have been blown up, and that the town is greatly damaged.

### Kaiser Is Slightly Indisposed

BERLIN, Germany, Dec. 22.—The kaiser has postponed his trip to the western front owing to an indisposition ascribed to a slight inflammation of the cellular system.

### Russians Driving Into Persia

LONDON, England, Dec. 22.—The Russians have occupied Kum, indicating an important advance into Persia.

### KAKAAKO PUMPING PLANT SEWER BIDS ARE OPENED

Five bids were opened at noon today by the Oahu Loan Fund Commission for the furnishing of equipment to the sewer pumping plant at Kakaako. The bids were as follows: Honolulu Iron Works, \$12,960; Cat-ton, Neill & Company, Ltd., \$14,500; Hawaiian Electric Company, \$12,992; The Lynch Company, \$14,045; von Hamm-Young Company, \$15,236.

No contract has been awarded yet by the Loan Fund Commission. In making their bid the Honolulu Iron Works stated that they did not believe the work could be done in the 90 days specified in the proposal, and offered to do it in 120 days.